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1st AMENDMENT

BOX REISSUE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated October 3, 2001.

In the Specification

Please disregard the patentee's prior instructions in its Substitute Preliminary Amendment mailed on May 4, 2001, entered on May 7, 2001, and instead replace the paragraph beginning at column 5, line 49 with the following:

The preferred masa handling system 10 (FIG.1) is a part of a larger arrangement of apparatus intended for the commercial production of tortillas or